

# Rattlewood Golf Course -- No. 017400

Category  
Agency  
Planning Area  
Relocation Impact

**Revenue Authority**  
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**Damascus**  
**None.**

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Required Adequate Public Facility

**January 6, 2002**  
**18-10(01 App)**  
**NO**

## EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY01	Estimate FY02	Total 6 Years	FY03	FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	111	0	0	111	0	0	111	0	0	0	0
Land											
Site Improvements and Utilities	839	0	0	839	30	0	809	0	0	0	0
Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other											
<b>Total</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>920</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

Revenue Authority	950	0	0	950	30	0	920	0	0	0	0
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## ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000)

### DESCRIPTION

This project provides for improvements at Rattlewood Golf Course. In FY03, the Revenue Authority will explore the feasibility and implement, if feasible, innovative "First Tees" or far forward tees for youngsters, beginners, families, and others. "First Tees" reduce the length and thus the difficulty of the course, making it more accessible to a broader range of skill levels. In FY05, the final improvements will include rebuilding of tees, improving the golf cart paths, building new greens, building and refurbishing bunkers, improving drainage, building a new practice range, and additional landscaping throughout the course. Also in FY05, the upstairs of the clubhouse will be refurbished and additional parking constructed so that the clubhouse is useful for community events.

### Service Area

Upper Montgomery County.

### JUSTIFICATION

The public daily fee golf course must cater to the diverse abilities of many golfers, from low to high handicappers, by providing both appropriate level of strategy and challenge and an interesting and pleasant setting in which to play the game. The objective of the improvements is to provide maximum playability, enhance visual quality, and allow for the most efficient maintenance of the golf course. The project proposes improvements to the golf course which serve to enhance the existing character and playability, while employing contemporary standards for design, construction, and maintenance. The clubhouse is not sufficient for current needs.

### Plans and Studies

The improvements follow a Master Plan developed in conjunction with golf course architects. Rather than looking at individual problems within the course (e.g. tee box placement), the architects looked at the entire course and recommended changes to increase playability and decrease maintenance costs. This provides the best overall assessment of the course and allows for a phased approach to this project. Concerns include the maintainability of the tees and greens and the competitive nature of the course.

### Cost Change

Increased cost due to feasibility studies and building of "First Tees" and additional improvements following the Master Plan.

### STATUS

The existing 18-hole golf course is operational.

### APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA

Date First Appropriation	FY01	(\$000)
Initial Cost Estimate		684
First Cost Estimate		
Current Scope	FY03	950
Last FY's Cost Estimate		684
Present Cost Estimate		950
Appropriation Request	FY03	30
Appropriation Request Est.	FY04	0
Supplemental		
Appropriation Request	FY02	0
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation		0
Expenditures/		
Encumbrances		0
Unencumbered Balance		0
Partial Closeout Thru	FY00	0
New Partial Closeout	FY01	0
Total Partial Closeout		0

### COORDINATION

Maryland Department of the Environment  
Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services

### MAP

